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ATTORNEY RICHARD POLING APPOINTED TO ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE COMMISSION

LANSING, MI, October 26, 2001 – Troy attorney Richard B. Poling has been appointed to serve on the Attorney Grievance Commission by the Michigan Supreme Court, the Court announced today.

Poling, a shareholder in the Troy law firm of Poling, McGaw & Poling, P.C., was appointed to replace Joseph Falvey, Jr., Associate Dean of Academic Affairs and Professor of Law at Ave Maria School of Law in Ann Arbor. Falvey resigned from the Attorney Grievance Commission after being called to active duty with the U.S. Marine Corps in Operation Enduring Freedom.

Poling, whose practice includes insurance law, commercial litigation, environmental law and employment matters, received his law degree in 1975 from the Detroit College of Law at Michigan State University. His undergraduate degree is from Michigan State University. He is a frequent lecturer and author on legal issues. Poling's professional associations include the American Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan, Federal Bar Association, Association of Defense Trial Counsel, Defense Research Institute, and Oakland County Bar Association. He has served as a director of United Way Community Services and is currently a member of United Way's Community Relations and Education Committee. He is also a member of the Board of Directors for On My Own, an organization that trains mildly developmentally disabled people so that they can live and work on their own. He also serves as a member of the Public Affairs Committee for the Michigan League of Human Services.

The Attorney Grievance Commission (AGC) was established in 1978 by order of the Michigan Supreme Court. The AGC is the prosecution arm of the attorney discipline system, and it assists the Court in carrying out its constitutional duty to supervise and, when necessary, to discipline Michigan attorneys. The Commission consists of six attorney members and three members of the public, who volunteer their time. The AGC office is staffed by 14 attorneys, including the Grievance Administrator.
